The United States Air Force Museum

Home School Day

Registration Information

March 29, 2004

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Join us at the United States Air Force Museum for a special day filled with a variety of educational experiences for all grade levels from preschool through high school! Activities will begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue throughout the day. Come for a full day or just one activity. The Museum opens at 9:00 a.m.

Admission to the Museum and most Home School Day activities are free but do require advance registration. See the inside of this brochure for a schedule and a description of the day's activities. Registration will only be accepted on the enclosed form. Only one child per registration form. Make as many copies as you need. Registration will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited, so please register early!

Please note that the Museum is a *very* large place. It is **your** responsibility to have enough adults with you to ensure that your children will be able to get to their individual class areas on time as well as be picked up at the end of class. Also, some classes require that an adult attend with the student. These classes are indicated on the Program Description page.

If you wish to pack your lunch, a picnic area is available outside the Museum. Food and drinks (including water) may not be brought into the building. A café is available on the second floor if you prefer to purchase your food here. Be advised that the outside picnic area is a considerable walking distance away from the activities. Be sure to adjust your timing accordingly.

To add to your Museum experience, you may also wish to watch an IMAX movie, ride the Morphis flight simulator and/or visit the Presidential Hangar. Call the Museum or visit our web site for more details.

Special note: as always, when you visit a military installation, any bags or packages are subject to search. This is especially true during a time of heightened security. For your convenience, please leave all large bags, large purses, backpacks, etc. locked in your vehicles.

Program Descriptions

STORYTIME: AGES 3 TO 5



10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Repeated at 1:45 to 2:30 p.m. Youngsters may attend only one session. Located in the Modern Flight Gallery. Young children will sit among the aircraft and learn about aviation and space through stories, finger plays, songs and other participatory activities. A tour of some nearby aircraft will be included.

INTO THE AIR: AGES 5—8 (K—GRADE 3) 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Repeated at 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Youngsters may attend only one session. Located in the Modern Flight Gallery. Children will learn about the history of flight and complete a hands-on project.

Mars: The New Frontier: Grades 4—6 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Carney Auditorium. Youngsters will learn about Mars and about past and current explorations of the red planet! This program is assembly-style, with demos and a takehome project to make.

SPY PLANE: THE SR-71 BLACKBIRD: GRADES 6 – 9 10:00 to 12:00 a.m. in the second floor Learning Center. Youngsters will learn about one of the most famous aircraft of all times: the Blackbird! Participants will build and fly a Styrofoam model of the SR-71. There is a \$2.00 charge per student for materials for this class.

THE FIRST CENTURY OF FLIGHT: GRADES 4 – 7 1:15 to 2:45 p.m. in the Carney Auditorium. Youngsters will learn about many of the exciting milestones in the first 100 years of powered flight! This program is assembly-style, with demos and a take-home project to make.

THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION: GRADES 8 – 12 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. in the second floor Learning Center. Youngsters will learn about this exciting outpost in space and build their own models from recyclable materials!

GUIDED TOUR: GRADES 4 – 12

10:00 to 12:00. Repeated at 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. Youngsters may attend only one session. A guideled tour of the Museum's major galleries: Early Years, Air Power, Korea, Southeast Asia, and the newest gallery, the Cold War. Hear stories about the people and planes that have made history!

SCAVENGER HUNTS: GRADES 1 – 12



May be picked up anytime between 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. near the entrance to the Early Years Gallery. Age-appropriate informational scavenger hunts will be available for youngsters in grades 1 – 12. These tours are self-directed and require adult participation. Each student will receive a questionnaire, pencil and cardboard (to use as a writing surface). Pencils and cardboard are to be returned upon completion of the tour. Approximate time required to complete the tour is one to two hours. These self-directed tours are a good fill-in for between programs or as a substitute for a scheduled program when needed. Answer keys will be available for those wanting to check their answers until 4:00 p.m.

SCAVENGER HUNT CHOICES:

- Primary—for grades 1—3
- Intermediate—for grades 4—6
- Secondary—for grades 7—12

AEROSPACE DEMO STATIONS

10:00 to 12:00 and 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in various locations throughout the Museum. No reservations required. Just stop by one of several demo stations to learn some fun facts about aerospace science. Appropriate for all age groups.



Classes with the above symbol require the youngster be accompanied by an adult. All other classes will only allow adult accompaniment if space permits. This will be more likely in the auditorium assembly programs and less likely in those programs taking place in the Learning Center. This policy is necessary to allow for maximum student participation.

Program Schedule		
Museum Opens 9:00 a.m.		
Information tables will be staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Kettering Hall		
Aerospace Demo Stations Open 10:00—12:00		
Scavenger Hunts available anytime from 10:00—3:00 for grades 1—12 Answer keys will be available until 4:00 p.m.		
Storytime 10:30—11:15 Ages 3—5	Into the Air 10:15—11:15 Ages 5—8 (K—3rd grade)	Mars: The New Frontier 10:00—11:30 Grades 4—6
		Spy Plane: The SR-71 Blackbird 10:00—12:00 Grades 6—9
		Guided Tour 10:00—12:00 Grades 4—12
Lunch 12:00—1:00		
Storytime 1:45—2:30 Ages 3—5	Into the Air 1:30—2:30 Ages 5—8 (K—3rd grade)	The First Century of Flight 1:15—2:45 Grades 4—7
		The International Space Station 1:15—3:15 Grades 8—12
		Guided Tour 1:15—3:15 Grades 4—12
Aerospace Demo Stations Open 2:00—4:00		
Museum closes 5:00 p.m.		

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IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

- A separate registration form **must** be completed for each student.
- Only the enclosed official form or copies of this form will be accepted.
- Space is limited. Registration will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Please register early. All registrations need to be received by 4:00 p.m., March 15, 2004.
- Registration closes when a class is full. You will be notified of your status.
- Confirmations will be sent by e-mail or to a post office address when necessary.
 Late registrations can not be accepted nor acknowledged.
- Payment, when applicable, is due at sign-in on March 29, 2004. **Cash only. Exact change only.** Do not mail any payment.
- Please call if you must cancel. Most classes will have extensive waiting lists.
- Before visiting, you may want to read through our visitors guide at http://www.wpafb.af.mil/museum/ edu/VisGuid.pdf

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Next Home School Day is tentatively set for September 27, 2004!